Watson M. Perrygo #15

Tennessee Fall Trip. 1937

Perrygo & Schaefer,

RECORD

Sept 9. 1937.

Benny go left home about 8:30 a.m. and went by and picked up Kenny Schafer on Sargeant Rd. Kattsville Md. And then left immediately for Bristol Tennessee by the ~~Lincoln~~ Lee Highway. Stopped in Kamsonburg and had dinner. Continued on then to East Radford Va. When we had dinny. We then drove on toward Bristol Stopped about 30 miles north of Bristol and spent the night in a tourist camp. Got quite cool during night.

Sept. 10, 1937

Left tourist camp 8 am. and drove to Bristol where we had breakfast. Made arrangements with the Forest Ranger there to go up on Roan Mt. to collect. Leaving here we went southeast to Elizabethton to get supplies. Weather very unsettled. We were told that the road up Roan Mt was very rough and we had better take all the gasoline and supplies we needed in case it rained. We had lunch and then drove to Roan Mt a small town in the valley ~~east~~ north west of Roan Mt. We had to drive most of the 8 or 9 miles up in low gear I believe if we had another 10 lbs on the truck it wouldnt made it. most of Roan Mt. is fogged in. We had to camp about ½ mile over the line in North Carolina in balsam altitude 6200 ft.

Sept 11, 1937
Roan Mt.

Was too foggy to leave camp today could not see over fifty feet. Adjusted our camp. Heard a few birds in the fog.

Sept. 12, 1937
Roan Mt.

Still foggy and raining. Tent poles broke last night and tent fell down on us. Got soaked trying put tent up again.

Set a trap line near camp

Sept. 13, 1937
Roan Mt.

Very foggy. Went collecting for birds.

Hundreds of Black throated blue warblers and red-eyed vireo's migrating collected all the way down to Carver's Gap alt. 5500 ft. got lost several times

Moved tent to east side of Mt. to get on the leward side. It is much warmer

Sept. 14, 1937

Collected north of camp for birds
Set trap line along ridge 6200 ft.
Roan Mt.

Sept. 15. 1937
Roan mountain Tenn.

Perryo drove down to Roan Mt. town to get gasoline.

While down found owner of cabin who rented it to us at the rate of $1.00 a day

Collected on Roan Mt for birds around 6000 ft,

Moved to cabin. It is very crude but has an old wood stove which makes it very comfortable.

Sept. 16, 1937

Collected birds from Cowee Gap 5500 ft. all the way back to camp. Clear down at gap. Roan mt is cold and foggy

Sept. 17, 1937

Set pole traps on Cowee Gap and on Roan Mt.

Collected Vesper Sparrow in Cowee Gap 5500 ft. Correr's

Collected over Roan Mt.

Sept. 18, 1937
Roan Mountain.
Collected in Burned-over timber, which has grown up-up in briars, for song sparrows. Collected a very
Set a line of squirrel traps
raining and foggy

Sept. 19, 1937
Roan Mountain

Collected from 4800 ft. up to 6200 ft.
Set a trap line 5500 ft.
" " " " 6200 "

Drove down to Roan Mt. for gas.
Weather foggy

Sept. 20, 1937
Roan Mt.
very foggy decided we knew the county ideel enpught
Walked all the way down to 4200ft.
caught one great horned owl in a pole trap at Carvis Gap 5500ft.
Frog was so thick couldnt see.
but could hear it flapping its wings and finally located it

Sept. 21. 1937
Roan Mountain

Ran trap line at 4200ft.
collected in deciduous forest at 5000ft found a good woods for Jays downy and hairy woodpeckers and red squirrels Then collected on top of Roan mt. foggy

Sept. 22, 1937
Roan Mountain

Went down to 4200 ft. ran trap line along a small stream I saw a pair Maryland yellow throats - shot one and lost it. After looking this country over went then up to 5000 ft. and spent about two hours working at this altitude. Heard a barred owl here looked over the grassy bald of Carver's Gap.
Collected on Roan High Knob. 6200 ft.

Sept. 23, 1937
Roan Mountain

Collected from alt. 4400 ft.
Ran trap line
Collected from alt. 5000 ft.
Ran trap line here
Collected buds 5800 ft.

Sept. 24, 1937

Collected all the way from 3200 ft.
up to 6200 ft.

Sept. 25, 1937
Roan Mountain Tenn.

Collected on Roan mt. shot
a grouse after trying ever since we
have been here.
Shot a robin out of a flock
passing over camp.
Made up our specimens and
took up traps and packed trucks
and left Roan Mt. for Elizabethton
3 P. M. very pretty day.

Sept. 26, 1937
Sunday

Had breakfast at Elizabethton 7 45 A.M. Rained all day. Got car out of garage, checked out of Hotel at 8 45 A.M. Left immediately for Rutledge, Postmaster of Elizabethton opened up post office so we could get our box of mounted birds
Passed through Johnson City and Morristown Tenn. Found nothing in way of cabins near Rutledge drove about 25 miles south of here finding nothing suitable. Returned to Rutledge, found only a small inn. Drove north and found 6 cabins about 12 miles north of Rutledge.

Sept. 27, 1937

Collected on Clinch Mt. Went all the way to the top to an alt. of 2600 feet.
Very dry mountain with practically nothing on top.

Sept. 28, 1930

Collected 3 miles West of Beans Station on Clinch Rt; Alt. 2000 ft. in pine & hackwood forest.

Sept. 29. 1937

Beans Station 6 mi. South west 6 Linch mountain on last slopes in second growth pine. warbler migration on today. very warm

Sept. 30, 1937

Collected birds on Chuck mountain altitude 2000 ft. 3 mi. West of Beans Station.

Birds very scarce today

Oct. 1, 1937

Collected 3 miles North West of Rutledge alt. 1900 ft. in second growth pine & oak trees. and around Beans Station

Oct. 2, 1937

Collected 6 mi. N. W. Beans Sta. along Clinch River bottoms
Clinch Mts 3 mi. W Beans Sta. in Pine woods

Fair and windy day
Returned to camp & middled specimens and packed truck

Oct 3, 1937
Sunday

Left Beans Station 8.30 A.M. for Nashville Tenn. Had dinner in Crossville 12 45 P.M. continued on to Nashville Arriving Nashville 5 30 P.M. Stopped at Jackson Hotel

Rained all day

Oct. 4, 1937

Had breakfast 7³⁰ A.M.
Left birds we mounted for Nashville Museum Spent several hours helping them at the museum
Left. Nashville 11 A.M. for Reelfoot Lake Started to rain.
Arrived Reelfoot Lake 5⁴⁵ P.M. and put up in Boyette's Tourist Camp which is on shore of Reelfoot Lake ½ mi N.E. of Tiptonville

Oct 5, 1937

Went to see Mr. Lee, Game protector at Tiptonville to secure permission to collect on and around Reelfoot Lake.
Had trouble in finding Mr Lee Finally obtained permission to do as we saw fit.

Oct. 6, 1937

Collected 6-miles N. of Liptonville. Dried boat and ~~moved~~ moved out on Lake.
Day-fair

Oct 7, 1937

Collected 2 miles East of Hillippy along edge of Lake.
Rained all morning.

Oct. 8, 1937

Collected 6 miles North of Tiptonville. Tried boat and rowed out on Lake where we spent most of day looking for coated beds.

Day - clear & windy

Oct. 9, 1937

Collected 2 miles East of Phillippy along shores of Lake

Morning & rainy and quite cool.

Mrs. Schaefer arrived from Washington in afternoon.

Oct. 10, 1937

Sunday. Rained hard all day.
Perrygo packed specimens.
Mr. & Mrs. Schaefer cooked
dinner

Oct. 11, 1937

Collected 3 miles South of Lamburg.
in virgin timber in lowlands.
Very beautiful warm day.
Woods were full of an unusual
amount of woodpeckers.

Oct. 12, 1937

Collected 2 miles East of Phillippy along Lake shore.
Cloudy, rainy day.
Mrs. Schafer returned to Washington.

Oct 13, 1937

Collected 4 miles South of Lamburg - cold driving rain Drove South by Ridgly; Dyersburg as far South as Memphis looking for better collecting grounds in Mississippi R. bottoms. Saw approximately 300 geese in one flock.

Oct. 14, 1937

Collected 4 miles South of Samburg in the only virgin timber in this section. Very cold N.E. wind was blowing.

Oct. 15, 1937

Collected 2½ mi South Ridgely cold N.E. Wind.

Collected in a cypress swamp. Took bird bodies & coaxed buzzards in gun shot.

Oct. 16, 1937

Collected 3 mi north of Tiptonville on shoe of Lake very windy

Returned to camp about 11 A.M. and then went to Sambuy and then to Walnut Log Camp.
Hired a row boat and visited a small island N.W. of here.
Saw. a duck hawk chasing a barred-owl.

Oct. 17, 1937
Sunday

Rained down all day
Reelfoot Lake seems to be [redacted] getting much higher.

Oct. 18, 1937

Collected 2 mi south of Sambug
Rainy day

Move to union City to have car repaired

Oct. 19, 1937

Collected 7 miles North East of Fultonville West of Hickman
Redfoot Level

Raining and very windy

Collected 3 mi. south of ~~Sambug~~ in cypress and deciduous trees.

Oct. 20, 1937

Collected 7 miles N.E. Tiptonville, West of Hickman Bulfoot. Levee along Mississippi River

very windy day - hard collecting

Oct. 21, 1937

Went 7 mi n. of Tiptonville and hired a row boat and went on the lake, rained all day

Shipped chest of specimens from Tiptonville

Oct. 22, 1937

Collected 7 mi N.E. of Tiptonville between Hickman and Reelfoot Levee and Mississippi River
In timbered woods

Raw windy day

Oct. 23, 1937

Collected near Phillippy (2 mi E) along shore of [redacted] Reelfoot lake
Along an old hedge row 3 house wrens seen & 1 taken

Cold and very windy and snow ~~sprinkle~~ flurries

Oct. 24, 1937
Sunday

Packed the truck and left Boyette's bank at Reel Foot Lake 9. A. M. for area # 11 in north central Tenn.

Had lunch in Paris 1 P. M.
Found no cabins near Dover
" a camp near Clarksville which were very small.

Oct. 25. 1937

Collected in hills about 4 ~~miles~~ miles north of Dover
Birds were quite scarce.

Dry windy day

Oct. 26, 1937

Collected along Cumberland River bottom at Clover
Wind started to blow a gale about 8 A.M.

Oct. 27. 1937

Cold raw day and very windy
Collected 2 mi. W. ~~of~~ of Indian Mound in river bottoms
Set trap line.

Oct. 28, 1937

Collected 8 mi. N. of Indian Mound in heaviest woods in this area

Clear day and very windy

Oct. 29, 1937

Went to Indian Mound and caught 3 muskrats on Cumberland River

Day turned very warm

Collected along River bottoms for buds

Oct. 30. 1937

Collected along Cumberland River bottoms about 7 mi. N. of Clover

Saw more birds here than any other place along Cumberland River

Had some very good stands of second ~~growth~~ growth deciduous trees

Saw one Red cockaded woodpecker.

Oct. 31. 1937

Sunday

Left Clarksville for Fayetteville about 9 A.M. Very fine day

Went through Nashville. Reached Fayetteville about 3 P.M. put up tourist camp about a mile west of Fayetteville

Seems to be very little woodland mostly small poor farms. Quite a bit cacti and scrub cedar

Nov. 1, 1937

Very warm day with strong wind blowing. Went to town to send mail. Drove west of Pulaski looking for collecting grounds. Was able to collect 4 ~~4~~ field mice in cedar grove near Pulaski.

Set trap line for mice 6 miles E. of Pulaski

Nov. 2, 1937

Ran trap line 6 miles East Pulaski. Set mole traps 10 miles E. of Pulaski. Collected 6 & 10 miles E. of Pulaski.

Nov. 3, 1937

Clear + warm in A.M. Thunder-storm in evening + still warm.

~~Collected~~ 6 miles east of Pulaski. raw trap line. Raw trap line 10 miles East of Pulaski. Raw trap line in cactus + scrub cedar on hillside - caught 1 Golden mouse.

Collected birds 6 miles S Frankenwing in Lincoln Co.

Nov. 4, 1937

Morning cold with very heavy frost. Warmed up as the day progressed.

Collected 10 miles East of Pulaski in Gila County. Also collected 6 miles East of Pulaski.

Moved all mice traps to Frankenwing. Caught first harvest mouse. Set flying squirrel traps in heavy timber at Frankenwing.

Nov. 5, 1937.

Collected 6 miles East of Frankewing.
Also collected 3 miles South of Fayetteville.
Very heavy fog all morning.

Nov. 6. 1937

Collected birds 6 mi. east of Frankewing Lin. Co. in a heavy timber which is about 2 miles long.
Returned to camp and then collected 3 miles north of Fayetteville

Clear warm day

Nov. 7. 1937
Sunday

Perry go stayed in bed until
11. A. M. with flu. or bad cold
about ~~noon~~ went to Frankewing
and ran trap

Clear windy day

Set a line of pole traps for
owls and hawks

Nov. 8. 1937

Ran trap line 6 mi. east of
Frankewing caught one opossum in
a squirel tap collected birds in
a heavy woods owned by a farmer
by the name of Wilson

Rained in afternoon

Nov. 9, 1937

Went collecting 6 mi. east of Frankewing Lincoln Co. took up all of our traps
Returned home to camp and packed truck to leave for Washington

Nov. 10, 1937

Left Barlow & Shirley Forest camp about 7 a.m. Had Breakfast in Fayetteville Tenn. Weather very stormy wanted to stop by Nashville and see if we could get some cooperation in getting the bucks I mounted for the museum in Nashville Schaefer and I have severe colds and decided we had better get home the extra hundred miles in the damn miserable weather would not ~~do~~ help us any
Had dinner in Crossville about 12 10 P.M. arriving in Knoxville. 2.30 P. M.
Continued north to Bristol Tenn. and stopped at the Shelby Hotel 6 4/5 P. M.

Nov. 11, 1937

Left Hotel Shelby 7 am. had breakfast got car out of storage and left Bristol Tenn about 7 30 am for Washington Raining very hard and cold.

Had dinner in ~~Dan~~ Lexington Va about 1 15 P.M. continued on north on the Lee High Way to New Market taking route 211 to Washington. Weather clearing and turning cold. Stopped at Midway for dinner between Washington and Warrenton. Reached Washington 8 P.M. ~~Front~~ spring broke at Hyattsville, Managed to limp about six miles to a garage and leave it to have spring fixed and where it could be locked up. Took taxi home about 10 15 P.M.